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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd  
Chief Clerk and Executive Director  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

**RE: Inquiry Related to Businesses' Public Utilities Unquantified Bills in Arrears  
Accrued During South Carolina State of Emergency (COVID-19)  
Docket: ND-2020-12-A**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (collectively, the "Companies") hereby note the Companies' interest in the above-referenced docket. The Companies are working diligently to mitigate the impact of Covid-19 for all of our customers, while still providing the service necessary for families, businesses and public service institutions in our service territories. We look forward to reading the comments to be filed in this docket on May 1, 2020, and potentially responding to such comments.

Sincerely,

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